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COUNTY: York

CLASS: Site (Store)

--- DAVID MARTIN STORE SITE ---

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1. SUBJECT:

David Martin Store Site.

2. LOCATION:

On end of Messick Point, in East Messicks, Virginia, Route #601, 2 1/4 miles southwest from Pents Store.

3. DATE:

1860.

4. OWNERS:

Mr. David Martin.

5. DESCRIPTION:

This old store was a rectangular shaped building with a gabled roof; it was a frame building, one-story high and there was one outside brick chimney. There was no weatherboarding on the store, it was built of up and down boards and whitewashed. There were four windows, each having eight panes, each pane being eight by twelve. The entrance was plain. On the interior there was one large room with two doors. The doors were of wide rough lumber; the locks and hinges were of common brass; the walls were unceiled and the floors were of wide uneven lumber. After Mr. David Martin died, this old store was torn down.

6. HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

7. ART:

8. SOURCES OF INFORMATION:

Informant: Mrs. Annie Hawkins, Messick, Virginia.

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION OF BUILDING CALLED FOR IN 3686
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Name of Building DAVID MARTIN STORE SITE

EXTERIOR

1. Building Plan Rectangular Cellar ( )
2. No. of stories: (1) Attic classed as 1/2 story.
3. Material: Brick ( ) Frame (X) Stone ( ) Log ( )
4. If brick, state what bond: Flemish ( ) English ( ) Common ( ) Other ( )
5. Kind of roof: Hip ( ) Gabled (X) Gambrel ( ) Lean-to ( ) Deck ( )
6. If church, describe or draw sketch of roof on reverse side.
7. Roof Material: Slate ( ) Shingle (X) Metal ( ) Tile ( )
8. Chimneys: Number (1) Brick (X) Stone ( ) Location Outside
9. Weatherboarding: Just boarded, white-washed. Beaded( ) Plain ( )
10. Cornices: Plain or Elaborate None. Material
11. Windows: Number (4) Size and number of panes 8 x 12, 8 panes.
12. Shutters: Describe: None.
13. Dormers: Number, and Shape of roof None
14. Porch: None
15. Type of Entrance: Plain.
16. Columns: Doric ( ) Ionic ( ) Corinthian ( ) Square ( ) None

INTERIOR

17. No. of Rooms: (1) Large (X) Small ( ) Approx. ceiling height. High.
18. Stairway: Open String ( ) Closed String( ) Describe: None
19. Cellar: Describe None
20. Doors: Style and type of wood Wide rough lumber.
21. Walls: Panelled, papered or painted Unceiled.
22. Interior Cornices None.
23. Hardware: Locks and hinges Common brass
24. Floors: Wide uneven lumber.
25. Mantels: None.
26. Misc: None
27. Present condition, and state if spoiled architecturally by remodelling:
Has been torn down
28. Does occupant seem to appreciate old architectural features?

Your Name (Miss) Roberta Hawkins.